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In re Application of :
Stephen Chen : DECISION ON
Application No. 09/832,808 : PETITION
Filed: April 12, 2001 :
Atty Docket No. MR2387-229 :
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This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed September 2, 2004.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to pay the Issue Fee (and Publication Fee) within three months of the mailing date, June 4, 2003, of the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due. This Office action set a three-month nonextendable statutory period for reply. No reply having been received, the above-identified application became abandoned on September 5, 2003. A courtesy Notice of Abandonment was mailed on November 13, 2003.

By decision mailed March 23, 2004, petitioner's petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment filed December 22, 2003 was denied.

The instant petition includes the required reply in the form of payment of the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee²; the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(m); and the required statement of unintentional delay. No terminal disclaimer is required.

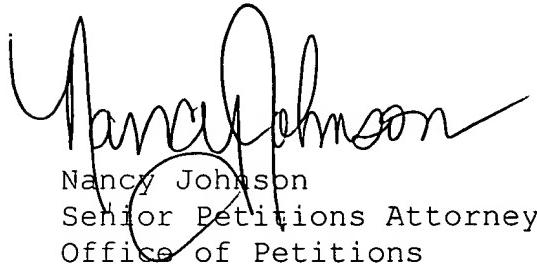
² There was no distinct but concurrent requirement for new drawings.

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The Office of Patent Publication has been advised of this decision. The application is ready for processing into a patent.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3219.



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